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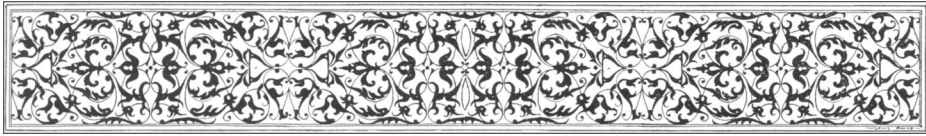
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NOTES

ANUAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION.—The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Corporation—the Benefactors and Fellows—was held in the gallery of the new Hoentschel Extension of the Museum building on Monday, February 15th, the Second Vice-President, Mr. John S. Kennedy, being in the chair.

The reports of the Trustees for the year ended December 31, 1908, and of the Treasurer, were read by the Secretary, Mr. Robert W. de Forest, and addresses were made by the Director and Assistant Director.

Following the formal exercises, tea was served, and an opportunity was given for the inspection of the new buildings and the recent accessions to the collections under the guidance of the Members of the Staff.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—The regular February meeting of the Board was held in the Board Room at the conclusion of the Corporation Meeting. The announcement of the election of Trustees to fill the vacancies of those whose terms expired February, 1909, and of the election and appointment of Officers and Trustees to serve upon the various Committees was then made, as follows:

TRUSTEES FOR THE TERM ENDING 1916

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WHITELAW REID

MEMBERSHIP.—The following transfers of membership were authorized by the Trustees at the Annual Meeting:

The Fellowship in Perpetuity of the late Theodore Seligman to his daughter Katharine Seligman; the Fellowship of the Imperial German Consul General, first held by Karl Bünz, recently appointed Minister to Mexico, to Rudolf Franken, the newly appointed incumbent of the Consulate at New York.

The members elected were:

HONORARY FELLOWS FOR LIFE

CHARLES D. WALCOTT
GASTON CAMILLE CHARLES MASPERO
JOHN SHAW BILLINGS
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FELLOW IN PERPETUITY

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THE LIBRARY.—The additions to the Library during the past month were ninety volumes divided as follows: by purchase, eighty-one volumes; by presentation, nine volumes.

The names of the donors are: Mr. A. Durel, Mr. George A. Hearn, Marshall C. Lefferts, Esq., Mr. A. H. Munsells, Mr. Garrett Chatfield Pier, Mr. Hugo Reisinger, and Mrs. Wheeler Smith.

Two photographs were received from Mr. Edward D. Adams.

In addition to the many reproductions of the works of the old masters already in the Library, a set of the Dürer Society Publications, from 1898 to 1905, all that have been published, has been added.

Students of Classical art and architecture are informed that nearly all the works referred to in the bibliography which appears in the *Catalogue of Casts* recently issued by the Museum, may be found in the Library.

The number of readers during the month was 302.

WASHINGTON'S SWORD.—Through the kindness of Miss Amy Townsend, of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, an interesting relic of General Washington has been temporarily loaned to the Museum. This is the sword worn by him in 1783, when he relinquished the command of the Continental Army at Annapolis. Formerly in the possession of Miss Virginia Taylor Wise, it

came into the hands of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, by whom it was given to the Ladies' Association for inclusion among the memorials preserved at Mount Vernon, the home of the first President.

It has been placed on exhibition in Gallery 22.

AN EARLY PAINTING BY STUART.—A picture of particular interest has been lent to the Museum by Mrs. Mary Hunter Glyn. It is a study of Spanish dogs by Gilbert Stuart, painted when he was twelve or thirteen years old. These dogs belonged to Dr. William Hunter, who came to America in 1752, and the story of the picture is as follows: Dr. Hunter was called professionally to Mrs. Stuart's house at Narragansett, where his attention was attracted by the chalk drawings on a board fence. Upon questioning Mrs. Stuart, he learned that they were by her son Gilbert. Dr. Hunter became interested in the boy, and helped and encouraged him in his work and finally invited him to spend a few days at Newport and paint his dogs. This is Stuart's first known picture. It is mentioned in the *Life and Works of Gilbert Stuart*, by George Champlin Mason.

The painting has been placed on exhibition in Gallery 12. B. B.

ATTENDANCE.—The attendance during the month of January shows an increase of 31,224 over the same month last year. This was due to the large number of visitors drawn to the Museum by the Exhibition of Contemporary German Art. The number of guests on the evening of the reception opening the Exhibition was 3,700.

1908		1909	
18 Free days..	37,615	18 Free days..	54,608
4 Evenings...	832	6 Evenings...	6,291
4 Sundays...	25,502	5 Sundays...	32,376
9 Pay days..	2,900	8 Pay days..	4,798
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